

Appl. No.
Amdt. dated October 6, 2003
Preliminary Amendment

PATENT

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

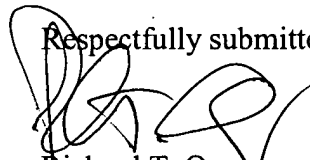
Claims 11-20 are now pending. Original claims 1-10 have been canceled. No new matter has been introduced thereby.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

Respectfully submitted,



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